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RESTRICTION PRESENTED

The claims have been restricted into the following groups of inventions:

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>
I	1-3, 9-14	A microcapillary having probes immobilized on an inner surface.
II	4-8, 15-18	Methods of hybridization.
III	19-21	Methods of making a microcapillary hybridization chamber.
IV	22-24	Method for controlling stringency.
V	25-28	An apparatus for detecting hybridization.

APPLICANTS' ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1 through 3 and 9 through 14, drawn to a microcapillary having probes immobilized on an inner surface, for prosecution at this time.

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are now pending in the subject U.S. patent application. Claims 1-28 as filed have been subjected to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement, applicants have elected the claims of Group I, claims 1-3 and 9-14, for prosecution at this time.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file one or more divisional patent applications directed to the unelected subject matter. Applicant also reserve the right

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to request rejoinder of the unelected claims as might be appropriate as prosecution progresses.

CONCLUSIONS

Should there be any minor issues outstanding in this matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney. Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

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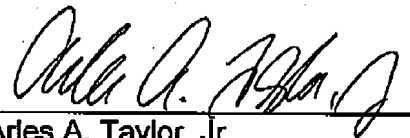
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